

Kentucky Internet2 Group Meeting
October 30, 2006, 1:30 – 2:30 PM
NKU METS Center, Highland Heights, KY

PRESENT: Pam Slagle (Bellsouth), Michael Providenti (NKU), Michael Mimms (NKU), Erskine Clinton (UK), Sheri Rose (BellSouth), Zhiming Xia (Somerset C.C.), Arne Almquist (NKU), Andrew Wright (UofL), Mike Dyre (UofL), Gene Kleppinger (EKU), Charlene Davis (KDLA), Enid Wohlstein (KYVU/VL), Ann Riggs (Education), Al Lind (CPE), Gary Pratt (ex-NKU), Tim Sizemore (KDE), Vicki Fields (Kenton Co. Schools), Mike Clark (KET), Bo Lowrey (JCPS), Michael Hayden (Windstream), Jamie West (Windstream), Miko Pattie (CPE)

1. KEN Update – Ann Riggs

The physical design for the pilot sites has been completed. There were 33 orders placed with BellSouth. We expect to have 10-15 pilot sites up around mid-January. The project of \$50 million for K12 instructional devices is proceeding as well. The rollout of the network and devices are being coordinated by KDE. Ann stated that I2 is the cornerstone of KEN; it can serve as a showcase application to measure the success of KEN.

2. Kentucky Internet2 Day Recap:

2.1. The group feels that with the short time for marketing and planning work, the overall response is good. The 2 speakers were engaging, the live events illustrative, and the video/audio quality was good. The following is the attendance:

EKU = 3
Morehead = 10
Murray = 3
NKU = 8
UK = 40
UofL = 8
WKU = 38
TOTAL in Attendance = 110
Number of people accessed video streaming = 101

2.2. Lessons learned:

2.2.1. There was a technical error in the UK bridge. It delayed the start for 15 minutes and the connection was interrupted around the break and towards the end.

2.2.2. The testing was not done as a group so the load might be an issue.

2.2.3. We will need to have a designated moderator so sites can take turns to respond to speakers.

2.3. How best to move forward:

2.3.1. There is a need to have an I2 videoconferencing group which can be a subset of the statewide videoconferencing group. Tim and Miko will work on this.

2.3.2. We should have a best practice on hardware and software for using I2 videoconferencing. The I2VC group will work on this. This will be posted in our website.

2.3.3. Gene proposed to have an I2 room in the next BDB conference. It can have I2 sessions, hands-on workstations, discussion groups, etc. We will follow up on this for next year's Breaking Down Barriers Conference.